a day have been answered during the last few days, I think it is possible to answer for the next few days on an average from 25 to 30 questions daily as we have now received sufficient answers.

**MR. K. R. ELENKATH** (*Kalkulam I*): According to the Rules questions have to be sent 12 clear days before the date of the meeting. May I know whether the consideration of probable delay in getting the answers ready by a lot of correspondence etc., did not weigh with the Government when they fixed the numuber of days by such a rule?

**RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI** (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That is the minimum number of days for the notice. I repeat that Government are doing all that is possible to expedite the answering of questions and from next day onwards more questions will be answered.

**PRESIDENT**: I fully realise that the right of interpellations is a valuable privilege exercisable by the members of the legislature. At the same time the members of the legislature will also see that the various departments, both in the metropolis and in the districts, should have sufficient time in order to answer the questions thoroughly and precisely. To insist upon too short a time may mean that the answers may take a non-committal or inconclusive form. Therefore its necessary to reconcile all these things. Care will be taken hereafter that the exercise of the privilege will not be curtailed or minimised in any—manner.

## Legislative Business.

### THE TRAVANCORE ANCIENT MONUMENTS PRESERVATION BILL.

**MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI** (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I propose to move the third reading of the Travancore Ancient Monuments Preservation Bill. Before I make the motion I wish to move a few amendments which are more or less of a verbal character.

My first amendment is as follows:—

*In Clause 7, sub-clause (5)*

(*a*) *for the word "be" occurring between "shall" and "prepared" substitute the words "not lie if not",*

(*b*) *for the word "the" occurring before the word "Dewan" substitute the word "Our" and*

(*c*) *for the word 'prescribed" substitute the word "said"*

"The Clause as passed yesterday will read thus:—

"An appeal under sub-section (3), shall be preferred within sixty days of the date of service of the copy of the order under sub-section (4) except where he satisfies the Dewan that he had sufficient cause for not preferring the appeal within the prescribed period".

As amended the Clause will read thus:

"An appeal under sub-section (3), shall not lie if not preferred within sixty days of the dste of service of the copy of the order under sub-section (4) except where he satisfies Our Dewan that he had sufficient cause for not preferring the appeal within the said period".



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**MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN** (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

**PRESIDENT**: This is only a verbal amendment. It has been moved and seconded. In Clause 7, sub-clause (5), the following amendments be made:—

(*a*) for the word "be" occurring between "shall" and "preferred" substitute the words "not lie if not",

(*b*) for the word "the" occurring before the word "Dewan" substitute the word "Our", and

(*c*) for the word "prescribed" substitute the word "said".

The amendment was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI** (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Sir, I beg to move as follows:—

"*In Clause 19, sub-clause (5)*

(*a*) *for the words "be preferred before the expiry of" substitute the words "not lie if not preferred within"*,

(*b*) *for the word "the" occurring before the word "Dewan" substitute the word "Our" and*

(*c*) *for the word "prescribed" substitute the word "said"*

The Clause as it now stands reads thus:—

"An appeal shall be preferred before the expiry of sixty days from the date of service of the copy of the order under sub-section (4) unless the appellant satisfies the Dewan that he had sufficient cause for not preferring the appeal within the prescribed period".

As amended the Clause will read thus:—

"An appeal shall not lie if not preferred within sixty days from the date of service of the copy of the order under sub-section (4) unless the appellant satisfies Our Dewan that he had sufficient cause for not preferring the appeal within the said period".

**MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN** (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

**PRESIDENT**: Moved and seconded —

In Clause 19, sub-clause (5)

(*a*) for the words "be preferred before the expiry of" substitute the words "not lie if not preferred within",

(*b*) for the word "the" occuring before the word "Dewan" substitute the word "Our", and

(*c*) for the word "prescribed" substitute the word "said"

That also is purely a verbal amendment.

The amendment was put to the vote of the House and carried.

**MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI** (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I now beg to move that the Travancore Ancient Monuments Preservation Bill, as now amended, be finally passed

**MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN** (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): I second it.

**PRESIDENT**: Moved and seconded that the Travancore Ancient Monuments Preservation, Bill as non amended be passed.

The motion was carried and the Bill was passed into law.

## THE TRAVANCORE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES BILL.

**MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI** (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Before moving for the passing of the Travancore Co-operative Societies Bill I beg to move as follows:—

*In Clause 1, sub-clause (1) substitute the figure 1112 for the figure 111.*

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